(d) Details of financial assistance sanctioned and released during the above period are as under:

(Rs. in lakhs)

Sl. No.	Year	No. of cases	Amount Sanctioned	Amount Released
1.	2004-2005	36	421.01	315.76
2.	2005-2006	30	586.52	379.91
3.	2006-2007	38	1407.06	1055.29

(e) The Expert Committee constituted for the scheme has considered and taken a decision on all the eligible applications received till the date of its last meeting held on 24.11.2006.

Enactment of ground water regulation legislations by States

*213. SHRI K.P.K. KUMARAN: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) what are the names of States which have enacted ground water regulation legislations on the Model Bill drafted by the Ministry and forwarded to all the States; and

(b) whether his Ministry propose to come forward with a white paper on the Ground Water Central Industrial Entrepreneurship with special reference to Multinational Corporations spreading their bottling plants across the length and breadth of the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI JAY PRAKASH NARAYAN YADAV): (a) To facilitate enactment of suitable ground water legislation by the States, Union Ministry of Water Resources has circulated a draft Model Bill to regulate and control the development and management of ground water to the States and Union Territories. So far ground water legislation has been

enacted by 8 States/Union Territories *viz.* Andhra Pradesh, Goa, Kerala, Tamil Nadu, West Bengal, Himachal Pradesh, Lakshadweep and Pondicherry.

(b) There is no such proposal in the Ministry.

Agreements with Libya in petroleum sector

*214. MS. MABEL REBELLO:
SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the outcome of his recent visit to Libya;

(b) whether an Indian oil company has been permitted to widen its exploration operation in Libya;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the terms of such agreement;

(d) whether an Indian PSE has been given a contract to modernize the oil refineries in that country;

(e) if so, the details thereof;

(f) whether Government made an assessment of commercial benefits to the country with such an agreement; and

(g) whether such an agreement enhances energy security of the country?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI MURLI DEORA): (a) to (f) Minister for Petroleum and Natural Gas visited Libya recently, alongwith a delegation comprising Chairmen/Managing Directors of oil public sector units (PSUs) and other officials. During the aforesaid